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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF )  
Michael Cole ) Examiner: Brian R. Gordon  
SILIAL NO.: 09/997,154 ) Group Art Unit: 1743  
FILED: November 28, 2001 ) Customer number: 23644  
FOR: Method and Apparatus for Determining )  
Temperature of and Controlling the )  
Evaporation of Liquid Samples )

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF NOVEMBER 5, 2003**

Honorable Director of Patents and Trademarks  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the examiner's office action of November 5, 2003, it is requested  
that the application be amended as follows: